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Sir:

An Office Action which, on its face, granted a three (3) month period of time in which to respond thereto was mailed on April 17, 2002, with respect to the above-identified presently pending application. Accordingly, the shortened statutory period for response was set to end on July 17, 2002.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a), Applicants hereby request a one (1) month extension of time in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action. Thus, the period of response is to be extended until August 17, 2002.

Please charge the \$110.00 fee for this extension of time designated by 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(1) to Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc. deposit account number 11-0875. This extension request is submitted in duplicate.

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